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# Smokers Under 21 Face Ticket July 6

## Aim Of Plan: To Educate S.L. Youths

Any person under 21 years of age caught smoking tobacco in Salt Lake City or County will be ticketed by police officers, beginning July 6.

An orientation school for peace officers in the city and county will be held July 6 at the Murray B. Allen Center for the Blind, 309 E. 1st South. The officers will be instructed in sessions at 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. on the new program which involves juveniles caught smoking.

Persons ticketed by police will have an opportunity to attend a school which shows the bad effects of smoking.

### Face \$15 Fine

If they do not want to attend the school, they can be fined \$15. If they are ticketed on a second offense, the fine will be \$25.

Juvenile Court Judge Reginal W. Garff Jr. said the program and the tobacco education school is being instituted primarily as an educational program.

"The main reason for this move is that the court is concerned with attitudes of children," he said. "Tobacco possession and use by juveniles is one aspect of the law which has not been enforced. Without enforcement children develop the attitude that laws do not have to be enforced or obeyed."

### Can Influence Youths

Judge Garff said the step was being taken "to close one more gap which contributes to delinquency."

"We think this program will influence the behavior of youths in other areas of conduct," he said.

Judge Garff said that the program will work this way for youngsters under 18 years of age:

When an officer sees a youngster smoking, he will give him a special ticket. The officer will send a duplicate to the juvenile court and retain a third copy for police files.

When the court receives the ticket, it will send a letter to the youngster's parents telling them that he has been cited for smoking.

### 5 Days To Appear

The youngster then has five days with which to come to court. If the youngster fails to report within five days, a second letter will be sent to parents telling them that if they do not appear with the youngster they will receive a summons.

When the youngster goes to court, he will be given an opportunity to either attend the school or pay a fine. The first school will be held July 20 at the City Police Court Room, 73 S. 2nd East. It will be under the direction of Police Sgt. Dean O. Anderson.

Persons 18 years of age and older will go to either city court or a county justice of the peace where a similar program will be put into effect.

Under the law, smoking by any person under 21 years of age, male or female, is a misdemeanor and punishable by a fine up to \$299 or six months in jail or both.

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## Police Plan to Restrict Smoking by Teen-Agers

BY JEROME MALLEK

The Clarendon Hills police chief recently said his force will begin enforcing the state statute banning cigaret smoking by persons under 18 altho smokers under 7 can continue puffing away.

Jack Hrunek, police chief, said the statute includes persons between 7 and 18 years old but makes no provision for tobacco lovers of kindergarten age.

Hrunek said the village will fine violators \$10 each time they are apprehended. Penalties for supplying youths with cigarets range from \$50 for the first offense to \$100 and a 30 day sentence for the second offense.

The village is one of several west side communities enforcing the statute, said Hrunek. Others include Western Springs, La Grange, and Westmont. Hrunek said he patterned his program after the one now in force in Western Springs.

"Smoking by teen-agers usually indicates a 'fire' brewing juvenile delinquency," the chief said. "The kids, usually between 12 and 16 years old, like to think they are pulling a fast one by smoking in public. They begin seeking a bigger challenge in stealing and acts of vandalism."

Hrunek said warnings would be posted on vending machines and in stores selling cigarets.

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